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(54) ANTIAGING AGENT

(57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain an antiaging agent for skin capable of retaining the tensity and elasticity of the skin and maintaining a youthful state of the skin by including a plant extract capable of manifesting inhibiting actions on an elastase and glutathione therein.

SOLUTION: This antiaging agent is obtained by including a plant extract capable of manifesting inhibiting actions on an elastase (preferably one or more kinds of extracts selected from Sophora flavescens Aiton, Uncaria gambir Roxb., Syzygium aromaticum Merrill et Perry, Saxifraga stolonifera Meerburg, Humulus lupulus Linne,

Rosmarinus officinalis Linne, Lithospermum erythrorhizon Sielold et Zuccarini, Hypericum Perforatum Linne, Hypericum erectum Thunberg and Thea sinensis O. Kuntze) and glutathione. The amount of the formulated plant extracts based on the antiaging agent is preferably 0.001-5.0 wt.% and the amount of the formulated glutathione based on the antiaging agent is preferably 0.0005-10.0 wt.%. The antiaging agent can be formulated with a beautifying and whitening agent, a humectant, an antioxidant, etc. Furthermore, the antiaging agent can preferably be applied to a cosmetic and a dosage form such as an aqueous solution system, a solubilized system or an emulsion system can be assumed.

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